

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.



GREETING

In the name of the Father Amen. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary: Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father: Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. May almighty God have mercy on us.... Amen.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, whose will is to restore all things in your beloved Son, the King of the universe, grant, we pray, that the whole creation, set free from slavery, may render your majesty service and ceaselessly proclaim your praise. Through our Lord Jesus Christ.....

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Daniel 7: 13 - 14

A reading from the prophet Daniel.

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of

heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants.

His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire ever be destroyed.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 92:1-2.5

R. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed.

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. [R]
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. [R]
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. [R]

SECOND READING Apocalypse 1:5-8

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse.

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!
Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!
Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 18:33-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a

king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

As we offer you, O Lord, the sacrifice by which the human race is reconciled to you, we humbly pray that your Son himself may bestow on all nations the gifts of unity and peace.



focus on sunday

Jesus' kingship is the kingship of one who is dedicated to his Father. He lives and dies for the truth. In his death and resurrection he is enthroned in the glory of his Father. This is the kingship we celebrate: one who has passed through the worst of human life to a life and joy that is eternal.



He is
King of Creation
and
Son of God.

Through Christ our Lord. **EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit. Lift up your hearts. We lift them up to the Lord. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right and just.

SANCTUS

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

The mystery of faith. Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

Behold the Lamb of God, Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Lord sits as King for ever. The Lord will bless his people with peace.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Having received the food of immortality, we ask, O Lord, that, glorying in obedience to the commands of Christ, the King of the universe, we may live with him eternally in his heavenly Kingdom. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

CONCLUDING RITE

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you in his kindness and pour out saving wisdom upon you. Amen.

May he nourish you always with the teachings of the faith and make you persevere in holy deeds. Amen.

May he turn your steps towards himself and show you the path of charity and peace. Amen.

And may the blessing of almighty God, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit, come down on you and remain with you for ever. Amen.

Go in peace. *Thanks be to God.*



We see Pilate as a very confused man. He saw in Jesus a good man. The people named Jesus as a king and yet they handed him over to Pilate. A lot about Jesus put off the Jews, his own people, but they didn't want to punish him.

They would leave that to Pilate and the Romans. To avoid the issue, he got into an argument about what a king would be.

Jesus then said many things about being a king, like ' my Kingdom is not of this world.' His Kingdom is from another place from the heavenly kingdom.

It's good to be reminded of the world of our origins and our goal. We come from God and we go to God.

When we hear that, it can be frightening. It's about what we don't know. But is it not one of the biggest joys in life – that I come from God, I am going to God and in between believe God is with me, God is with us?

Donal Neary SJ, Editor Sacred Heart Messenger.

Jesus' Story

Fr. Liam Hickey



It was a sports day at school. During a big race one boy slipped and fell. His pal stopped to help him. Neither of them won a medal, but they won a better prize. Jesus tells us that God Our Father is like the boy who stopped to help. God's power is in the gold of love and kindness, and that is God's Kingdom.

ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH, BALLYHAUNIS

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MASSES:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am.
Saturday Evening Vigil: 7.30pm
Sunday: 10.00am.

CONFESSIONS:

Before Saturday Vigil Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Between 9am & 7pm daily.

BAPTISMS

First Saturday & third Sunday of the month at 11.00am. Minimum of four weeks' notice required. Contact the parish office, 094-9630006.



ANNIVERSARY MASSES 25th NOV - 1st DECEMBER 2024

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday 10.00am; Saturday 7.30pm.

- Katie & Kieran Webb, Tooraree & Brickens
- Decd. of the Hoban, Enright & McCoy families, Derrynacong, Dublin & Dundalk
- Tommy Ronayne, Clagnagh & Teresa Ronayne, Tuam
- Larry & Anne Lynch & decd. of the Grogan family, Holywell
- Walter & Josephine Healy, Frenchpark
- Jim Healy, Johnstown & decd. of the Healy & Fitzgerald families
- Geraldine Hunt, Lecarrow & Joe Fahey
- Fintan Lynch, Ennis & formerly Main St.
- Alfred Webb Jnr. Tooraree
- Mary Connolly, Lecarrow
- James & Margaret Lyons, Ballindrehid
- Stephen & Lena Caffrey, Tooreen, & decd. of the Caffrey & Killeen families
- John Kirrane, Knockbrack
- Michael A. & Nora Keane, Annagh; Bernard & Margaret Keane, Coventry
- John, Anne, Sean, Andy & Lillian Glynn, Carrownedan
- Kevin Jordan & decd. Annagh
- Seamus Clarke, Devlis
- Padraig Murphy, Ballyveal & Paddy & Mary Hosty, Logboy
- Peter, Delia & Kay Costello, Corofin; Mary & Michael Plunkett, Ballyhaunis

SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER 2024

FIRST ANNIVERSARY Joan Kilboyle, Dublin & Tullaghaune
MONTH'S MIND Patsy McCormack, Station Rise

25 Nov - 1 Dec.	READERS	MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST
Monday	Martin Fitzmaurice	Marion Regan, Irene Healy
Tuesday	Tommy Caulfield	Breege Halpin, Frances Mulhern
Wednesday	Mary Donnelly	Margaret Tarpey, Helen Freeley
Friday	Christina Concannon	Mary Freeley, Willie Broderick
Saturday 7.30pm	John Doyle	Joe Byrne, Fionnuala Nolan, Marina Coyne, Anne Carney
Sunday 10am	Anne Durkan	Aileen Burke, Geraldine Murphy, Eileen Lynch, Marie Brennan

COLLECTORS FOR DECEMBER

Sat 7.30pm.	Pat Devine, Kieran Connolly, Oliver Cribben, G. Alves da Silva
Sunday 10am.	Martin Finan, Mike Griffin, Gabriel Smith, Anthony Plunkett

MASS SERVERS FOR DECEMBER

Sat. 7.30pm	Team A: Niamh Conlon, Eva Grace Kilcourse, Peter Gallagher, Phoebe McNamara, Sonny Kelly
Sunday 10am	Team B: Olivia Feeney, Ben Jordan, Jonathon Powers, Kevin Buliga, Sara Romaric

All weekday and weekend Masses, and the daily Rosary at 9pm (when possible) Mondays to Fridays, continue to be broadcast on parish radio 105.2 FM and streamed on the parish webcam: <https://www.mcn.live/camera/st-patricks-church-ballyhaunis> or on our website: www.ballyhaunisparish.ie.

REMEMBRANCE MASS: The annual Remembrance Mass takes place this Saturday evening 23rd Nov. at 7.30pm. We will be praying for all whose names are included in the November lists of the deceased, remembering in a special way parishioners who have died over the past year, and we welcome their families to the Mass. Snowdrops will be planted in the Church grounds in memory of each of the deceased parishioners, and this plot of ground will be blessed by Fr. Stephen at the end of Mass.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY takes place at the 10am Mass this Sunday 24th November. Children aged 4 - 8 years are invited to come into the sacristy during Mass, and will return to their parents after Communion.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Collection envelopes for the local branch of St. Vincent de Paul are available in the church porch and in local outlets. Envelopes with donations can be returned to the collection box in the church at Mass times, or to the parish office. Donations can also be made online to: Account No: 55855348. IBAN: IE96 BOFI 9037 2855 8553 48. BIC: BOFIE2D.

If you or your family are in need of help from St. Vincent de Paul this Christmas, please outline your specific needs in writing. Letters should be addressed to: Ballyhaunis SVP, The Friary House, Ballyhaunis.

Recently Baptised

We welcome into the Faith Community:
Hugo Pierce Higgins, Hazelhill Downs;
Indianna McDonagh, Tooraree

ACTIVE RETIREMENT GROUP: The next meeting will be held at 1.30pm on Wednesday, 27th November at the Communal House, Clare Court. There will be a Christmas Theme including Christmas Quiz and treats. No meeting in December; the group restarts in January 2025- date to be advised.

SENIOR CITIZEN/GOLDEN YEARS CHRISTMAS PARTY: The annual Christmas party will take place on Sunday 15th December in Clare Court Communal House. Forms available in the Church porch from this weekend. If you would like to attend, please fill in and return to the box in the porch by 8th December, as numbers are needed for catering.

EXTENDED ADVENT RETREAT: If you want an alternative to the commercialisation of the Christmas season, join us for silence & stillness and learn once again to hear the "tidings of great joy" at the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght, Dublin D24 KA40 from Thursday 12th to Sunday 15th December. Options include full residential, non-residential and one-day attendees. Email dominicanretreats@gmail.com or call 01 4048189 for more information.

Recently Deceased - We remember in our prayers:
Anne Kelly, formerly Finnegan, Island

BALLYHAUNIS CHRISTMAS LIGHTS SWITCH-ON: Sunday 1st December at The Square & Knox St. A great programme of events for all the family with a Kiddies Tractor Lights Run on Knox St. at 3.30pm, live music from 4pm, Blessing of the Crib at 4.30 and the switching-on of the lights at 5pm with a special visit from Santa. Market stalls on Knox St from 12 noon to 5pm. Knox St. will be closed to through traffic from 10am to 6pm with local access.

REVOLUTIONARY WOMEN OF EAST MAYO: Inspirational women from the Ballyhaunis area who were involved in the War of Independence and the Civil War will be the focus of an exhibition and lecture on Saturday Nov. 30th at the Community Hall. Presented by Mayo Genealogy Group and hosted by Ballyhaunis Community Council, the exhibition will feature women from the Ballyhaunis area including; Mrs. Dillon-Leetch, Dr. Maude O'Cleirigh, Gretta Mullins, Mae Greally, Florrie Murray, Mollie Donnellan, Baby Hunt, Bridget Sloyan and Kathleen McDonald. Also featured are the Kenny sisters, Crossard. Historian Frank Fagan will speak about the Irish Civil War, and an exhibition of storyboards will feature the biographies of the brave women and their fight. The exhibition will be open from 7pm. followed by the talk at 8pm.

MIDWINTER MELODIES: A concert of seasonal music by candlelight will take place in St. Muredach's Cathedral, Ballina on Friday 29th Nov. at 8pm. Tickets €30 are available from www.ballinaparish.org or call 096 70555. All proceeds go to St. Muredach's Cathedral Restoration.

LATIN MASS: The next Latin Mass will be celebrated in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel, Knock on Sun. 8th Dec. at 6pm.

ANNUAL WINTER MARKET in Claremorris Town Hall Theatre takes place this Sunday, 24th November from 11am to 5pm.

Offertory Collection
Sunday 17th Nov. 2024
€1,890

LISACUL'S 4TH ANNUAL FESTIVE FAIR on Sat. 30th Nov. from 12 noon until 4pm with free entry. Over 30 stalls with gifts, handmade items and food stalls. Free entry. Raffle in aid of Lisacul Community Development & Brightsparks Preschool.

TIDY TOWNS: To mark another successful year, Ballyhaunis Tidy Towns would like to invite members, volunteers, supporters and sponsors to a social event in the Community Hall on Sat. 7th December from 7pm to 9pm. This is a family-friendly event with refreshments & music provided. Please RSVP to the Ballyhaunis Tidy Towns Volunteers Social Event Facebook page.

ANNAGH 2024: The 47th issue of the annual magazine for, by & about the people of Ballyhaunis and the parish of Annagh is expected to go on sale next weekend. This year's Annagh runs to 208 pages of articles, reports, poetry & photographs and will be available in the usual outlets. The Annagh Magazine Society wishes to thank all its contributors & patrons.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS TO EMIGRANTS: As in previous years, we will shortly be sending Christmas cards to Ballyhaunis people overseas. If you have family members or friends living abroad who you think would appreciate a card from Fr. Stephen, please email their names and full postal addresses to ballyhaunisparish@gmail.com or drop them into the parish office postbox.